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SUBJECT: ICELAND-UK FISHERIES DISPUTE: JUSTICE MINISTER REJECTS

CALLAGHAN'S WARNING

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1. JUSTICE MINISTER OLAFUR JOHANNESSEN TOLD ALTHING YESTERDAY THAT IT WAS "INCONCEIVABLE" THAT BRITISH TRAWLERS BE ALLOWED TO FISH FREELY INSIDE 200-MILE LIMIT DURING PROJECTED NEW DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN TWO GOVERNMENTS. JOHANNESSEN, WHOSE MINISTRY INCLUDES COAST GUARD, WAS SPEAKING IN CONTINUATION OF PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON LATEST UK PROPOSALS AND GOI RESPONSE TO THEM (REFTEL).

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2. JOHANNESSON SAID FONSEC CALLAGHAN'S WARNING THAT FRIGATES WOULD RETURN IN EVENT OF COAST GUARD HARRASSMENT OF BRITISH TRAWLERS WAS UNREALISTIC AND INAUSPICIOUS CONDITION FOR RENEWED TALKS. NEGOTIATIONS COULD DRAG ON INDEFINITELY, JOHANNESSON SAID, AND IT WAS ABSURD TO THINK BRITISH COULD FISH UNHAMPERED DURING THIS PERIOD. "NATURALLY LAW WILL BE ENFORCED," JOHANNESSON IS QUOTED AS SAYING. "THERE WILL BE TRUCE ONLY IF TRAWLERS MOVE OUTSIDE 200 MILES OR KEEP THEIR GEAR OUT OF SEA."

3. PRESS REPORTED THIS MORNING THAT BRITISH TRAWLERS WERE EXPECTED TO BEGIN FULL-TIME FISHING AS OF 2400 HOURS LAST NIGHT UPON EXPIRATION OF TEN-DAY LOSS COMPENSATION PERIOD INSTITUTED BY HMG. IRVING

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